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Information on forms, filing deadlines for recall available on website

Note to Editors: The FPPC is receiving an extremely heavy volume of press calls regarding the Oct. 7 recall election. Most of those calls concern the Statements of Economic Interest (SEIs, or Form 700) required of candidates, but many concern filing deadlines for campaign disclosure reports.

For further information regarding the procedures for filing and processing a candidate's SEI, you can obtain a copy of a brochure, *Your Duty to File: A Basic Overview of State Economic Disclosure Law and Reporting*, on the FPPC's website at www.fppc.ca.gov. Go to "Conflicts of Interest/SEIs/Form 700" on the left side of the home page, and click on the link to the brochure.

Candidate SEIs in the recall election are filed with county Registrars, who must then forward the statements to the FPPC within five days. All SEIs filed by state and local candidates and public officials are public records. The agencies that retain filed statements must make them available for public inspection or reproduction during regular business hours no later than the second business day after those requests are received.

In most cases, candidates for elected state office do not file their SEIs directly with the FPPC, but with election offices (registrars). These filing officials must then forward the forms to the FPPC no later than five days after the filing deadline. Candidates were required to file SEIs when they officially declared their candidacy. The deadline for declaring candidacy was Aug. 9.

To inquire about viewing or obtaining a copy of these documents, call the FPPC Press Office at 916-322-7761.

Campaign contribution reports and other required disclosure forms are filed with the Secretary of State. The *Filing Schedule for State Candidates' campaign statements in the October 7, 2003 State Recall Election* can also be found on the FPPC's website. Go to the link on the recall election on the right side of the home page.

There is also a new fact sheet with questions and answers about the recall election, which was approved by the commission at its regular monthly meeting Aug. 11, on the website.

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